

Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes payments not to exceed \$150,000.00 for the period January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024, made to the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township as set forth in the Annexation Agreement with the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township authorized by Ordinance Number 2529-2013 and approved by City Council on November 4, 2013.

On November 4, 2013, City Council approved Ordinance Number 2529-2013 authorizing the Director of Development to enter into an annexation agreement with the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, the legislative authority of and for Franklin Township. The City and the Township have contiguous boundaries and overlapping jurisdictions within Franklin County. In order to advance the welfare of the citizens for the respective jurisdictions, the parties desire to cooperate by fostering and promoting development which is compatible with the character of the area, while also preserving the geographic integrity of the Township.

The annexation agreement outlines Annexation payments as well as areas of cooperation including joint land use planning to ensure coordination on projects, joint marketing to advance economic development, and coordination of capital improvement projects along the West Broad Street Corridor.

Emergency action is requested to allow for the immediate payments set forth in the Annexation Agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT: Payments will be made quarterly and funds are available in the 2024 General Fund budget, contingent upon passage of Ordinance 3011-2023.

To authorize an expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00; to authorize the Auditor's Office to make quarterly payments in an amount equal to the percentages set forth in the Annexation Agreement with the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township authorized by Ordinance Number 2529-2013 and approved by City Council on November 4, 2013; and to declare an emergency. (\$150,000.00)

WHEREAS, the City and the Township are political subdivisions located entirely within the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the Township and City being contiguous and to a certain extent, having overlapping jurisdictions with areas located in Franklin County; and

WHEREAS, as part of such cooperation and in order to improve and advance the welfare of their respective citizens, the parties desire to cooperate in the development of the territory to which the agreement will pertain in order to foster and promote development which is compatible with the character of the area; and

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2013, City Council approved Ordinance Number 2529-2013 authorizing the Director of Development to enter into an annexation agreement with the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, the legislative authority of and for Franklin Township; and

WHEREAS, the annexation agreement outlines Annexation payments as well as areas of cooperation including joint land

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use planning to ensure coordination on projects, joint marketing to advance economic development and coordination of capital improvement projects along the West Broad Street Corridor; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City in that it is immediately necessary to authorize quarterly expenditures as set forth in the Franklin Township Annexation Agreement, thereby preserving the public health, peace, prosperity, safety and welfare; **NOW THEREFORE**,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

SECTION 1. That the expenditure of \$150,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 1000 (General Fund), Dept-Div 44-01 (Development Administration), in object class 05 (Other) per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 2. Funds are hereby deemed appropriated and expenditures and transfers authorized to carry out the purposes of this ordinance and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 3. The Auditor's Office is authorized to make quarterly payments in an amount equal to the percentages set forth in the Annexation Agreement with the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township authorized by Ordinance Number 2529-2013 and approved by City Council on November 4, 2013.

SECTION 4. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.

SECTION 5. For the reasons stated in the Preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after passage and approval by the Mayor or ten days after the passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.